

office Department, formerly lived at Lafayette. He is a great friend of Deputy Auditor General, who also is an Indian. He tells a story of how McBeth enlisted in the army when a lad. McBeth had been living at Lafayette, but wanted to enlist in the army, and made his way into Tennessee. He walked into a recruiting station one day and asked to be enlisted to enlist. The clerk took his name and asked his occupation.

"I have no special occupation," said McBeth. "But you must be known on the records as having a trade or business," said the clerk. "Now, how shall I put you down?" "Well, I'm a student," said McBeth. "Put it down that way." "Oh, that won't do," declared the clerk. "What sort of work did you do last?" "Well," said McBeth, "my last employment was stenciling signs on fences."

"That's all right," said the clerk cheerfully. "You're an artist," and McBeth was known to the War Department as an "artist."

Indians were in great granted patents as follows: Elbert W. McAllister, South Bend, blaster plaster; Christopher D. Quillen, Marion, vehicle brake; William D. Rupp, Mifflin, fire escape; Thomas A. Smith, Salem, coffin; Bill E. Briggs, Chubbuck, display cabinet with adjustable shelf; Charles F. Eckert, Indianapolis, typewriter attachment; John H. Plinn, New Castle, head rest; Erwin Plinn, Elkhart, computing scale; William A. Grove, Bluffton, rotary engine; Otto Hoffman, Albany, folding basket or fruit box; James W. Kelley and P. A. Reid, Richmond, wire-cutting and straightening machine; George E. Kratz and A. L. Bolen, Indianapolis, motor controller (reissue).

The Indiana members of Congress are receiving many inquiries regarding rural mail routes in Indiana, or rather regarding routes that the people have been expecting would be put in. It is understood that nothing can be done towards pushing this work until Congress has an appropriation. This bill probably comes in the urgent deficiency bill. Some time in January or February the department is expected to resume the work of putting in new routes.

Senator Fairbanks has received a cordial invitation to address the National Live Stock Association at its meeting at Kansas City on Jan. 16. For a time the senator declined the invitation, but he has decided not to be able to attend on account of the work of Congress, but later a committee has so urgent an invitation that he will attend the meeting that he has promised to do so if he can arrange his work.

The work of D. J. Parry in opposing the eight-hour bill is becoming apparent in the number of letters members of the Indiana delegation in Congress are receiving from manufacturers and business men in Indiana protesting against passage of the bill.

The decision of the treasury department as to the Anderson federal building will not be announced on Friday. At the request of Senator Fairbanks, the matter has been postponed until the middle of January. The department is expected to announce the location of the Crawfordville site on Thursday, the Hammond site on Friday and the Logansport on Saturday.

Representative Watson left for Indiana this afternoon to spend the Christmas holidays. Mr. Overstreet, who will remain here through the session. Representative Landis will not go home for the holidays, but his family will join him here. Mr. Hendricks will be in town on Thursday and Mr. Miers will go on Saturday. Mrs. Miers will remain here, her husband only returning to his home on a part time business. Representative Steele had not decided to-night whether he would return to Maryland, but he is expected to do so. Mr. Crumpacker will return to Indiana this week.

The following fourth-class postmasters have been appointed for Indiana: Linwood, Madison county, F. M. Schuyler, vice Chas. C. Given; Reynolds, Adams county, W. C. Rawley, vice Collins; vice Elmer E. Johnsonbaugh, removed.

Frank I. Seifert, postmaster at Washington, Ind., is here and will be the remainder of the week. C. A. C.

Cornelius Vanderbilt a Very Sick Man
NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—Dr. Austin Flint made an early call on the ailing Cornelius Vanderbilt to-day and later said that Mr. Vanderbilt was a very sick man, that there was no change in his condition from that of yesterday, and that the crisis would not be over for two or three days.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Fair To-Day, with Fresh to Brisk West Winds.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Forecast for Wednesday and Thursday:
For Illinois and Indiana—Fair on Wednesday; fresh to brisk west winds. Thursday fair in north, increasing cloudiness in south portion.

For Ohio—Fair on Wednesday, except snow in northeast portion; colder. Thursday fair; fresh to brisk west winds.

Local Observations on Tuesday.

Bar. 30.00 W. Wind. Weather. Prec. P. m. 29.90 20 S.W. Cloudy. 0.08
P. m. 29.80 20 S.W. Cloudy. 0.08
Maximum temperature, 31; minimum temperature, 19.
Comparative statement of the mean temperature and total precipitation on Dec. 16:

Normal	Temp.	Prec.
Indianapolis	30.0	0.08
Chicago	29.0	0.08
St. Louis	28.0	0.08
St. Paul	27.0	0.08
Portland	26.0	0.08
San Francisco	25.0	0.08
Albany	24.0	0.08
Buffalo	23.0	0.08
Omaha	22.0	0.08
Des Moines	21.0	0.08
Sioux Falls	20.0	0.08
Denver	19.0	0.08
Colorado Springs	18.0	0.08
Fort Collins	17.0	0.08
Wichita	16.0	0.08
Lawrence	15.0	0.08
Topeka	14.0	0.08
Salina	13.0	0.08
Empire	12.0	0.08
St. Joseph	11.0	0.08
Leavenworth	10.0	0.08
Atchafalaya	9.0	0.08
Arkansas City	8.0	0.08
Lawrenceburg	7.0	0.08
St. Louis	6.0	0.08
St. Paul	5.0	0.08
Portland	4.0	0.08
San Francisco	3.0	0.08
Albany	2.0	0.08
Buffalo	1.0	0.08
Omaha	0.0	0.08
Des Moines	-1.0	0.08
Sioux Falls	-2.0	0.08
Denver	-3.0	0.08
Colorado Springs	-4.0	0.08
Fort Collins	-5.0	0.08
Wichita	-6.0	0.08
Lawrence	-7.0	0.08
Topeka	-8.0	0.08
Salina	-9.0	0.08
Empire	-10.0	0.08
St. Joseph	-11.0	0.08
Leavenworth	-12.0	0.08
Atchafalaya	-13.0	0.08
Arkansas City	-14.0	0.08
Lawrenceburg	-15.0	0.08
St. Louis	-16.0	0.08
St. Paul	-17.0	0.08
Portland	-18.0	0.08
San Francisco	-19.0	0.08
Albany	-20.0	0.08
Buffalo	-21.0	0.08
Omaha	-22.0	0.08
Des Moines	-23.0	0.08
Sioux Falls	-24.0	0.08
Denver	-25.0	0.08
Colorado Springs	-26.0	0.08
Fort Collins	-27.0	0.08
Wichita	-28.0	0.08
Lawrence	-29.0	0.08
Topeka	-30.0	0.08
Salina	-31.0	0.08
Empire	-32.0	0.08
St. Joseph	-33.0	0.08
Leavenworth	-34.0	0.08
Atchafalaya	-35.0	0.08
Arkansas City	-36.0	0.08
Lawrenceburg	-37.0	0.08
St. Louis	-38.0	0.08
St. Paul	-39.0	0.08
Portland	-40.0	0.08
San Francisco	-41.0	0.08
Albany	-42.0	0.08
Buffalo	-43.0	0.08
Omaha	-44.0	0.08
Des Moines	-45.0	0.08
Sioux Falls	-46.0	0.08
Denver	-47.0	0.08
Colorado Springs	-48.0	0.08
Fort Collins	-49.0	0.08
Wichita	-50.0	0.08
Lawrence	-51.0	0.08
Topeka	-52.0	0.08
Salina	-53.0	0.08
Empire	-54.0	0.08
St. Joseph	-55.0	0.08
Leavenworth	-56.0	0.08
Atchafalaya	-57.0	0.08
Arkansas City	-58.0	0.08
Lawrenceburg	-59.0	0.08
St. Louis	-60.0	0.08
St. Paul	-61.0	0.08
Portland	-62.0	0.08
San Francisco	-63.0	0.08
Albany	-64.0	0.08
Buffalo	-65.0	0.08
Omaha	-66.0	0.08
Des Moines	-67.0	0.08
Sioux Falls	-68.0	0.08
Denver	-69.0	0.08
Colorado Springs	-70.0	0.08
Fort Collins	-71.0	0.08
Wichita	-72.0	0.08
Lawrence	-73.0	0.08
Topeka	-74.0	0.08
Salina	-75.0	0.08
Empire	-76.0	0.08
St. Joseph	-77.0	0.08
Leavenworth	-78.0	0.08
Atchafalaya	-79.0	0.08
Arkansas City	-80.0	0.08
Lawrenceburg	-81.0	0.08
St. Louis	-82.0	0.08
St. Paul	-83.0	0.08
Portland	-84.0	0.08
San Francisco	-85.0	0.08
Albany	-86.0	0.08
Buffalo	-87.0	0.08
Omaha	-88.0	0.08
Des Moines	-89.0	0.08
Sioux Falls	-90.0	0.08
Denver	-91.0	0.08
Colorado Springs	-92.0	0.08
Fort Collins	-93.0	0.08
Wichita	-94.0	0.08
Lawrence	-95.0	0.08
Topeka	-96.0	0.08
Salina	-97.0	0.08
Empire	-98.0	0.08
St. Joseph	-99.0	0.08
Leavenworth	-100.0	0.08

Yesterday's Temperatures.

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Stations.	Min.	Max.	7 p.m.
Albany, N. Y.	26	34	26
Alma, Mich.	22	32	22
Amherst, Tex.	14	22	14
Atlanta, Ga.	28	38	28
Clemason, O.	26	36	26
Clemason, O.	26	36	26
Buffalo, N. Y.	22	32	22
Calao, Ill.	30	40	30
Chattanooga, Tenn.	40	50	40
Chicago, Ill.	24	34	24
Cincinnati, O.	24	34	24
Cleveland, O.	24	34	24
Columbus, O.	12	22	12
Davenport, Ia.	22	32	22
Des Moines, Ia.	18	28	18
Dodge City, Kan.	2	12	2
Dubuque, Ia.	2	12	2
Duluth, Minn.	26	36	26
Easton, Ill.	26	36	26
Fort Smith, Ark.	28	38	28
Galveston, Tex.	38	48	38
Grand Haven, Mich.	18	28	18
Grand Junction, Col.	8	24	8
Haver, Mass.	6	18	6
Huron, Mont.	6	18	6
Indianapolis, Ind.	18	28	18
Jackman, Fla.	6	18	6
Kansas City, Mo.	16	26	16
Keokuk, Ia.	16	26	16
Little Rock, Ark.	28	38	28
Louisville, Ky.	34	44	34
Marquette, Mich.	30	40	30
Memphis, Tenn.	30	40	30
Modena, Italy	40	50	40
Montgomery, Ala.	42	52	42
New Orleans, La.	44	54	44
New York City, N. Y.	44	54	44
Nashville, Tenn.	38	48	38
Norfolk, Va.	48	58	48
North Platte, Neb.	24	34	24
Oklahoma, O. T.	42	52	42
Oregon, W. Va.	14	24	14
Palestine, Tex.	30	40	30
Parkburg, W. Va.	36	46	36
Philadelphia, Pa.	36	46	36
Pittsburg, Pa.	36	46	36
Pueblo, Colo.	30	40	30
Qu'Appelle, Assin.	4	20	4
St. Louis, Mo.	30	40	30
Salt Lake, Utah	18	28	18
St. Louis, Mo.	26	36	26
St. Paul, Minn.	26	36	26
St. Paul, N. M.	10	42	10
St. Paul, Ill.	36	46	36
Springfield, Mo.	36	46	36
Vicksburg, Miss.	32	42	32
Washington, D. C.	32	42	32